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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- U.S. Patent No. 4,911,761, McConnell et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 4,977,688, Roberson, Jr. et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 4,984,597, McConnell et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,115,576, Roberson, Jr. et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,271,774, Leenaars et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,315,766, Roberson, Jr. et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,571,337, Mohindra et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,593,505, Erk et al.

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These references are also listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449). Since the afore-mentioned references are readily available from the parent application (U.S. Application Serial No. 10/046,423 filed 10/25/01), Applicants are not providing copies with this Information Disclosure Statement. However, should the Examiner require additional copies, Applicants would be happy to supply the same.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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